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REVEALS RENEWED ROAD CONSTRUCTION

# ROAD CONSTRUCTION LOAS/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER

## SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS ROAD CONSTRUCTION EXTENDING FROM ROUTE 9 AND 92 IN LAOS TO THE SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER.

#### 2. LOCATION:

THE ROAD CONSTRUCTION IS LOCATED WITHIN ELEVEN NM OF THE MILITARY COMPLEX AT KHE SANH, SOUTH VIETNAM.

### MISSION READOUT:

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EXTENDING NORTH FROM LAOS ROUTE 9 AT 163810N 1062530E. THE ROAD IS SERVICEABLE AND IN USE PAST THE PREVIOUS TERMINUS TO 164358N 1062938E, WITH INTERMITTENT CONSTRUCTION EXTENDING EASTWARD ACROSS THE LAOS/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER, TO 164250N 1060345E. THREE PROBABLE TRUCK PARKS/BIVOUAC AREAS ARE OBSERVED ON THE SERVICEABLE PORTION OF THE ROAD AT 164025N 1062515E (NOT DEPICTED ON GRAPHIC), 164025N 1062600E, AND 164038N 1062612E.

A SECOND NEWLY OBSERVED ROAD, SERVICEABLE AND IN USE, EXTENDS FROM LAOS ROUTE 92 AT 162952N 1062931E, FOLLOWS THE ALIGNMENT OF A PREVIOUSLY EXISTING TRUCK PARK ACCESS ROAD, AND CONTINUES EASTWARD TO APPROXIMATELY 16294ON

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1063710E FROM THIS POINT INTERMITTENT CLEARING AND GRADING EXTENDS EASTWARD
TO THE LAOS/SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER ON THE BANK OF SEPONE RIVER. VEHICLE TRACKS ARE
OBSERVED WITHIN THE AREA AND SERVE FOUR POSSIBLE WEAPONS POSITIONS AT UTM
XD689261.

ADDITIONAL MILITARY ACTIVITY WITHIN THE IMMEDIATE AREA (NOT DEPICTED ON GRAPHIC) IS: PROBABLE TRUCK PARKS/BIVOUAC AREAS AT UTM XD666255 AND UTM XD-653242; TWO ROAD-SERVED POSSIBLE WEAPONS POSITIONS (ONE OCCUPIED WITH AN UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE) AT UTM XD689265; THREE RCAD-SERVED POSSIBLE WEAPONS POSITIONS AT UTM XD712267; AND FIVE HMG/AA SITES TOTALING TWENTY-ONE POSITIONS (SEVENTEEN OF WHICH ARE OCCUPIED) DISPERSED IN CLEARINGS AT UTM XD675255, UTM XD684250, UTM XD684251, UTM XD685256 AND UTM XD689275.

NEW COMMUNICATION TRACES (SHOWN ON MAP) ARE OBSERVED BEING CUT IN THE VICINITY OF ROUTES 9 AND 92 (SEE NPIC BRIEFING BOARD L-4783).

## 4. COMMENT:

ALTHOUGH NO WEAPONRY IS DISCERNIBLE AT THE POSSIBLE WEAPONS POSITIONS, ALL ARE APPROXIMATELY 12,000 YARDS SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF, AND GENERALLY ORIENTED TOWARD, BAN HOUEI SANE MILITARY COMPLEX.

ALL UTM COORDINATES ARE TAKEN FROM AMS SERIES L7015 SHEET 6341 IV

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- FOOT TRAIL

- SERVICEABLE ROAD

- ROAD CONSTRUCTION

- Telecommunications lines
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